

(e) All the Chief Officers who were working in the Municipalities on the appointed day, i. e. 1st September 1970, have been taken over under the Mysore Municipal Administrative Service.

10-00 A. M.

CALLING ATTENTION TO MATTERS OF URGENT
PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

(i) Re: felling of forest in the Kodakani village of Soraba Taluk.

Sri KAGODU THIMMAPPA (Sagara).—I call the attention of the Minister for Agriculture and Forests to the felling of forest in Kodakani Village of Soraba Taluk.

Sri K. H. PATIL.—I wish to state as follows:—

There is an extent of 800 acres of minor forest at Kodakani in Soraba Taluk. The rainfall received in this zone is around 80". This particular minor forest has a semievergreen type of vegetation containing mostly softwoods and the stocking is also quite poor. This type of natural forest yields low financial return. The increment put on per acre which is available for exploitation is about 10 tonnes over a period of 30 years in the best of conditions. An extent of 500 acres from this minor forest was selected for raising Eucalyptus plantations by Mysore State Forest Corporation Ltd. Eucalyptus has come up very well in the adjoining area. It puts on an increment of 20 to 30 tonnes in this zone over a period of 10 years. Hence, in consideration of the economic advantages of raising the industrial pulp material, it was decided to take up Eucalyptus planting in this area.

It is brought out in the Notice that the public have protested against the clear felling of this rich forest. There has been protest but this has been from the encroachers in the area on the plea that the area should be made available to them for cultivation. During December 1972 a Member of this Legislature represented to me that the felling opera-

tions may not be taken up till the encroachers harvest the crop. I had stayed the felling operations pending enquiry. The Enquiry revealed that felling could be conducted without damaging the agricultural crops. Thereafter the stay was vacated. Again during last month the same Member represented that the clear felling operations should not be taken up here. On further enquiry it was verified that the encroachments covered an extent of about 70 acres and that the felling could be undertaken in such a manner that in the encroached area the clear felling could be taken up after harvesting of the agricultural crop. 500 acres have been earmarked here for clearance by way of 7 coupes of which the sale has been confirmed in case of 4 coupes. Instructions have been issued to the Department that the balance 3 coupes which contain the maximum encroached area may be taken up for clearance after the harvesting of the agricultural crop.

It may therefore be seen that even in the case of encroachers, Government have bestowed the maximum consideration to see that their efforts to raise agricultural crops at the current instance, do not go a waste. It would not be proper to condone such encroachments in the larger interest of the STATE.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕಾಗೋಡು ತಿಮ್ಮಪ್ಪ. — ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಅಕ್ರಮ ಸಾಗುವಳಿ ಮಾಡಿರುವವರು ೭೦ ಎಕರೆಗಳು. ಅಕ್ರಮ ಸಾಗುವಳಿ ಮಾಡಿರುವವರ ಅನುಕೂಲಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ಅಲ್ಲಿದ್ದ ಕಾಡನ್ನು ಇಲ್ಲಿಯವರೆಗೆ ಕಡಿಯಬಾರದೆಂದು ತೀರ್ಮಾನ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡು, ಈಗ ಅಲ್ಲಿ ನೀಲಗಿರಿ ಮರಗಳನ್ನು ಬೆಳೆಸುವದಕ್ಕೆ ಹೊರಟಿದ್ದೀರಿ. ಈ ೭೦೦ ಎಕರೆ ಕಾಡಿನ ಪ್ರದೇಶ ಏನಿದೆ, ಈ ಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ತಾವೇನಾದರೂ ನೀಲಗಿರಿ ಮರಗಳನ್ನು ಬೆಳೆಸುವದಕ್ಕೆ ಹೊರಟರೆ, ಅಲ್ಲಿರತಕ್ಕಂಥ ನೈಸರ್ಗಿಕ ಸಂಪತ್ತೇ ಹೊರಟು ಹೋಗುತ್ತದೆ ಮತ್ತು ಅದರ ಸುತ್ತಮುತ್ತಲ ಪ್ರದೇಶವೆಲ್ಲಾ ಹಾಳಾಗಿ ಹೋಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಈಕಾಡು ಇರುವ ಪ್ರದೇಶಕ್ಕೆ ಒಂದು ಮೈಲಿ ದೂರದಲ್ಲಿ ಸಾವಿರಾರು ಎಕರೆ ಜಮೀನು ಇದೆ. ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಬೇಕಾದರೆ ತಾವು ನೀಲಗಿರಿ ಮರಗಳನ್ನು ಬೆಳೆಸಬಹುದು. ಈ ರೀತಿ ಮಾಡದೆ ೭೦೦ ಎಕರೆ ಕಾಡಿನ ಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ನೀಲಗಿರಿ ಮರಗಳನ್ನು ಬೆಳೆಸಿದ್ದೇ ಆದರೆ ನೈಸರ್ಗಿಕ ಸೌಂದರ್ಯವೇ ಹಾಳಾಗಿ ಹೋಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಆದ್ದರಿಂದ ಈ ಕಾಡನ್ನು ಹಾಗೆಯೇ ಉಳಿಸಿಕೊಂಡು, ಬೇರೆ ಕಡೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ನೀಲಗಿರಿ ಮರಗಳನ್ನು ಬೆಳೆಸುವದಕ್ಕೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮ ಕೈಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕೆಂದು ಹೇಳುತ್ತೇನೆ. ಈಗೇನಾದರೂ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮ ತೆಗೆದು

ಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದರೆ ಅದನ್ನು ತಡೆಹಿಡಿದು, ತಾವು ವಾಸ್ತವಿಕವಾಗಿ ಒಂದು ಸಲ ಸ್ಥಳ ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆ ಮಾಡಿ ನಂತರ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮ ಕೈಕೊಳ್ಳುವದಕ್ಕೆ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೀರಾ ಎಂದು ಕೇಳುತ್ತೇನೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಎಚ್. ಪಾಟೀಲ — ಈಗ ನನ್ನ ಮುಂದಿರುವ ವರದಿಯ ಪ್ರಕಾರ, ತಕ್ಷಣ ಸಲಹೆಯಂತೆ ಆ ಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ನೀಲಗಿರಿ ಮರಗಳನ್ನು ಬೆಳೆಸಬೇಕೆಂಬ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮವಿದೆ. ಆದರೆ ಮಾನ್ಯ ಸದಸ್ಯರು ಕೇಳಿರುವ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ನಾನೇ ಸ್ವತಃ ಆ ಸ್ಥಳವನ್ನು ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆ ಮಾಡಿ ನಂತರ ಯೋಗ್ಯವಾದ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮ ಕೈಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೇನೆ.

Re: Indiscriminate issue of No Objection Certificates by the C. I. T. B. in respect of Agricultural lands.

Sri T. R. SHAMANNA (Fort).—I beg to call the attention of the hon. Minister for Municipal Administration to the indiscriminate issue of No Objection Certificates by the City Improvement Trust Board in respect of Agricultural lands to make them non agricultural lands.

Sri B. BASAVALINGAPPA (Minister for Municipal Administration and Housing).—I wish to make the following statement;

Issue of no objection certificate for the formation of Private Layout are being dealt by City Improvement Trust Board on a reference from the Deputy Commissioner or from the Societies and individuals. The opinion of City Improvement Trust Board will be furnished based on the outline Development plan prepared by the Planning Authority and approved by the Government and also based on the guide lines issued by the Government for the formation of layouts.

If the area comes outside the City Improvement Trust Board limits the opinion will be furnished stating that there is no City Improvement Trust Board Scheme in this area, and the opinion of the Planning Authority for the change of Zoning will have to be considered by the Planning Authority.

The representation of the President, Patrika Naukara Gruha Nirmana Sahakara Sangha, Bangalore requesting for issue of no objection Certificate to form a private layout in Sy. Nos. 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 74 and 78 of Chokkasandra Village, Bangalore South Taluk was presented on